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## **ABSTRACT**

An optical disk apparatus has an optical head having a lens of converging light from a light source onto an optical disk and a photodetector for detecting the light thus converged and then reflected from the optical disk. A tracking error signal is generated in order to perform tracking control on the basis of the detected light. A disk tilt DT is detected to indicate the amount of tilt of the optical head relative to the optical disk. A calculation is performed to calculate a lens shift LS indicating the amount of shift of the lens relative to the optical head, according to a predetermined rule on the basis of the generated tracking error signal and the detected disk tilt DT.